GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:331
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2005
REHABILITATION OF EX -SERVICEMEN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the laid down policy by the Government for rehabilitation of ex-servicemen in the Government Departments/Corporations, particularly as security guards;

(b) whether the Government is aware that rehabilitation of ex-servicemen, particularly as security personnel, is not being pursued seriously in several Government Departments/Corporations and where ex-servicemen have been rehabilitated as security personnel, they are being exploited;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the corrective measures being taken by the Government for better rehabilitation of ex-servicemen?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 331 FOR ANSWER ON 15.12.2005

The Government has various schemes for rehabilitation of ex-servicemen for employment and self employment of which one important scheme is for their engagement as security guards. Directorate General of Resettlement (DGR), under the Ministry of Defence, oversees the functioning of security agencies. Government keenly pursues the rehabilitation of ex-servicemen in all its schemes including the schemes relating to security personnel. All Central public sector undertakings (PSUs) are required to contract security services from ex-servicemen security agencies. State Ex-servicemen Corporations can apply directly to a PSU or its units located in their states. Private ex-servicemen security agencies have to be sponsored by DGR. There are various safeguards built in to ensure that security personnel are not exploited.